

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

Common Assessment Exemptions & Tax Reductions Available to Individuals ⁽¹⁾

| | ELDERLY OR TOTALLY DISABLED (under 65) | | VETERANS & ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL | | | | | | OTHER EXEMPTIONS | | |
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| | ELDERLY OR TOTALLY DISABLED | NEWINGTON LOCAL ELDERLY | REGULAR VETERANS | DISABLED & SEVERLY DISABLED VETERANS | STATE ADDITIONAL (Low Income) VETERANS | LOCAL ADDITIONAL (Low Income) VETERANS | ACTIVE MILITARY (Reserves) (One M/V) | FEDERAL SERVICE MEMBER CIVIL RELIEF ACT (SCRA) | TOTALLY DISABLED | BLIND | AMBULANCE TYPE VEHICLE |
| STATUTE | 12-170aa | 12-129n | 12-81(19) | 12-81(20) to (26) | 12-81g | 12-81f | 12-81(53) | Federal | 12-81(55) | 12-81(17) | 12-81(c) / Local Option |
| FILE BY | Feb 1 to May 15 | Feb 1 to May 15 | Sep 30th | Sep 30th | Oct 1st | Oct 1st | Dec 31st following tax due date | Dec 31st following tax due date | Oct 1st | Oct 1st | Oct 1st |
| BENEFIT (Tax reduction) | \$150 - \$1,250 \$300 - \$775 (Benefit amount is determined by income and annual taxes) | | \$3,000 Off assessment | \$4,500 - \$10,500 Off assessment with disability rating of 10%-100% Severely disabled ⁽³⁾ | \$4,000 - \$20,000 Off assessment | \$10,000 Off assessment | One motor vehicle fully exempt | All cars fully exempt | \$1,000 Off assessment (SS Disability Proof Required) | \$3,000 Off assessment | Fully exempt |
| ELIGIBILITY | Be age 65 by Dec 31st (If totally disabled by SS there is no minimum age limit) Single: \$38,100 Married: \$46,400 Be owner real estate as of Oct 1st (Property held in an irrevocable trust may not be eligible) | | Served 90 days or more during defined period of war (see dates of war) Owner as of Oct 1 | VA disability rating (do not need to have served 90 days in time of war) | Single: \$38,100 Married: \$46,400 Income includes: All income except VA disability/pension payments ⁽²⁾ | Single or Married: \$45,000 Income includes: All income except VA disability/pension payments ⁽²⁾ | CT resident who is currently active Be owner on Oct 1 | Out of State resident serving in CT Be owner on Oct 1 | Totally disabled by SS Owner as of Oct 1 | Legally blind Owner as of Oct 1 | For specialty adapted vehicles Owner as of Oct 1 |
| PROOF / APPLICATION | Income tax return for prior year SS1099 and/or proof of other income. Note: Income includes veteran's disability/pension payments Re-file every (2) years (Unless Income Changes Significantly) | | File DD214 or discharge papers with Town Clerk by Sep 30 No Application | File VA disability rating award letter with Assessor File Once (Unless rating changes) | SS1099 and Income Tax Return Re-file every (2) years | SS1099 and Income Tax Return Re-file every (2) years | Present military ID or submit a copy File Annually | Show military ID or provide a copy Out of state resident (license) Not registered to vote in CT File Annually | SS award letter or SS1099 (if under 65) File Once | Certificate of legal blindness from State or letter from doctor attesting to blindness File Once | Bring in vehicle (first time only) or show proof of modifications File Once |
| AVAILABLE TO SURVIVING SPOUSE | Surviving spouse of a qualified applicant (who is age of 50 or over) can continue | | Spouse continues deceased veteran's exemption until remarried | Spouse continues deceased veteran's exemption until remarried | Spouse continues deceased veteran's exemption until remarried | Spouse continues deceased veteran's exemption until remarried | N/A | N/A | Does not transfer to surviving spouse | Does not transfer to surviving spouse | N/A |

(1) This is only a summary; other specific exemptions maybe be available that are not listed here. Please note that exemption programs / benefits are not the same in every town therefore, if you relocate to another town in Connecticut contact that assessor's office for local program information.

(2) To qualify for the low income exemption a veteran MUST first meet the requirements of 12-81(19) or 12-81(20) to (26) for veterans with a disability rating. For any veteran with a 100% disability rating from the VA the maximum adjusted gross income is \$18,000 if single or \$21,000 if married (Social Security income is not included).

(3) Disabled veterans with severe disability are eligible for a \$5,000 or \$10,000 assessment exemption. Please refer to 12-81(21) for more details.

Renters: Contact Karen Halpert at the Senior Center for benefits and eligibility requirements.